

In contrast, the present invention:

provides a system, method and apparatus for integrated access to electronic works stored at a plurality of locations such that they are accessible from any networked location ... [where] a user has access to content from multiple sources, such as a remote content source or location and a host ... [and once] links to content stored at the remote content location or locations are integrated with content from other sources, a user may access all of the linked content from anywhere the user has access to the host.

Specification page 3, lines 4-7 and page 5, line 6-8. A user owns or has access to numerous electronic works located on different networked devices, for example, the user's personal computer, work computer, laptop, cell phone and hand held device. An aspect of the invention provides an identifier or link for each electronic work and stores the identifiers in an on-line account. A user can access the on-line account and have access to all of the user's electronic works regardless of the user's location. The user accesses the on-line account, requests a specific electronic work and the on-line account provides the user the ability the access the electronic work at the user's current location.

The Examiner cites Ginter's example on column 271, line 22 to column 274, line 30, as group access and linking multiple electronic works to a client account. However, Applicants disagree with the Examiner's comparison to the present invention. Ginter states that the entire purpose of the example is to "securely control access" (Ginter, column 271, lines 29-43). To do so, Ginter teaches in his example that "the law firm sets up a standard VDE client container" and

a "client" container contains all documents that have been provided by the client (documents received in other containers can be securely extracted and embedded into the VDE client container using VDE extraction and embedding capabilities). Each document in this example is stored as an object within the parent, client VDE container. The "client" container also has several other objects embedded within it; one for each attorney to store their client notes, one (or more) for research results and related information, and at least one for copies of letters, work papers, and briefs that have been created by the law firm. The client container may also contain other

generically as part of the information to be included in a VDE container. *See*, Ginter, Figure 26a and column 150, lines 6-33. Ginter is silent on automatically assigning identifiers to electronic works. Further, Ginter does not specifically state that an identifier and address transmitted together from a remote content location to a central location. Most of Ginter's discussions on identifiers relate to cryptography and Permission Records. *See*, Ginter, column 66, lines 15-32 and column 150, line 26 to column 158, line 56. Thus, Ginter does not anticipate all the elements of claim 15. Claims 24 and 25 are system and product claims reciting similar elements of claim 15. Further, claims 15-21 depend from claim 15 and are allowable at least for the same reasons as claim 15.

Given the above, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections be withdrawn.

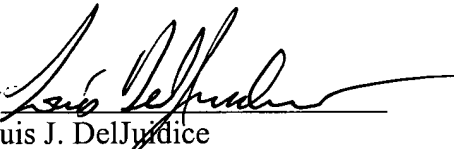
CONCLUSION

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

If there are any other issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a Supplemental Response or an Examiner-s Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

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